

REMARKS

The Office Action of 29 December 2006 rejected claims 1-3 and alleged that “claims 1-3 are ... anticipated by Hussein *et al.* {Heterocycles, (1994), 38(5), pages 981-990}.” Office Action of 29 December 2006, page 6. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that “Hussein *et al.* disclose the compound of Entry 3d on page 982, which is embraced by the instant claimed invention.” Office Action of 29 December 2006, page 6.

Applicants respectfully disagree. Applicants assert that Hussein *et al.* does not teach or suggest any of the presently claimed compounds. Specifically, entry 3d of Hussein *et al.* comprises para-chloro (p-Cl) and phenylamino substituents. Pending claim 1, however, specifically disclaims entry 3d by reciting that “when R⁴ is 3-chlorophenyl, then R¹ is not phenylamino.” Claims 1-3 of the present invention, therefore, do not read on Hussein *et al.*

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding anticipation rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating the elected species of Compound RG-12151 allowable.

The Office Action indicates that claims 4 and 5 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. For reasons stated above, however, Applicants assert that claims 4-5, which depend upon claim 1, are allowable. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the objections to claims 4-5 be withdrawn and claims 4-5 be deemed allowable.

Should the Examiner believe that further discussion of any remaining issues would advance the prosecution, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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